

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
SUGAR CITY COUNCIL  
THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2013

Presiding: Mayor Glenn W. Dalling  
Meeting Convened at 6:30 p.m.  
Prayer: Burch Drake  
Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mayor Dalling; Sharon L. Bell, Clerk; Wendy Walker, Treasurer; and Councilmembers Bruce King, Lamont Merrill, Vaun Waddell and Burch Drake.

The mayor asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 13, 2013. Each councilmember had a copy of said minutes prior to the meeting. It was moved by Councilmember Waddell and seconded by Councilmember Merrill to accept said minutes; motion carried.

**PLANNING & ZONING REPORT:** There was no P&Z report.

**RENEWAL OF BRAD ORME LEASE:** Sharon reported that Brad Orme's lease requires that it be reviewed every year on its anniversary date by the City Council to determine whether the city agrees to a renewal for the ensuing year. The lease payment is \$300 annually for any renewal period from July 1 through June 30.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Councilmember Merrill and seconded by Councilmember Waddell to approve the renewal of Brad Orme's lease for the city property adjacent to City Hall described as: A rectangular piece of property consisting of Lot 9, Block 29, Sugar City Plat A, Madison County, Idaho as per the recorded plat thereof more specifically described as adjoining the Sugar City Hall Building and being approximately 25'3" wide from the western edge of the city building to the west side of the property and running in a northerly direction and southerly direction approximately 82'7" and an approximate 12 ft. strip of land adjoining the Sugar City Shop to the south boundary of Lot 9; motion carried.

**REVIEW OF OLD FARM ESTATES DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT:** The council reviewed individually and as a council the Development Agreement of Old Farm Estates and feel the city is adequately protected and has confirmed that with our attorney. Furnishing water to the 39 homes talked about in the special covenants become part of the calculation for the whole development.

A discussion was had on the sewer trunk line that goes to Rexburg. Councilmember Merrill accepted the assignment to find out how full the trunk line is, how to measure it and what it would cost. The mayor agreed to help him.

**DISCUSSION/DECISION ON AMENDED AND RESTATED SUGAR CITY BUSINESS PARK PROTECTIVE COVENANTS:** Attorney Forsburg made two changes to the Sugar City Business Park Protective Covenants and drafted a document entitled Amended and Restated

Sugar City Business Park Protective Covenants. (1) Under Paragraph X. A. Building Materials: A sentence was added at the end, which reads, "Architects' and engineers' stamps are required before submission to the Committee." (2) Under Paragraph XII. A. Permissible Landscaping: A new paragraph was added at the end that reads: "It is the developer's responsibility to incorporate in the landscaping adequate drainage in order to prevent water accumulation on roads or adjacent property (ground swales, infiltrator or dry well, etc.)."

**MOTION:** It was moved by Councilmember Merrill and seconded by Councilmember Waddell to approve the Amended and Restated Sugar City Business Park Protective Covenants, as written, which includes two changes to the original document: (1) that architects' and engineers' stamps are required before submission to the Committee; and (2) the paragraph on adequate drainage; motion carried.

### **REVIEW OF CITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:**

**Dog pound:** Discussion was had about building a dog pound by the lift station building. No decision needs to be made tonight. It would cost about \$6,000.

**Storage shed:** Councilmember Merrill reported that at the next meeting he would have two bids for a 40 X 70' metal building. Further information is needed.

**City Hall façade:** Councilmember Drake reported that the proposed façade for the city hall is in the redrawing phase. It is estimated that the façade and the new sidewalk will cost approximately \$28,500.

**PARADE FLOAT PRESENTATION/COUNCIL PARTICIPATION:** Councilmember Drake reported that the Sugar City parade float will be in three upcoming parades: the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in Rexburg, the 24<sup>th</sup> of July pioneer parade in St. Anthony, and the Madison County Centennial parade in Rexburg. In order to participate with the fire engine in the 24<sup>th</sup> of July pioneer parade in St. Anthony, we would need to secure permission from the Madison County Fire Department.

**BROCHURE FOR LEGISLATIVE TOUR:** Councilmember Waddell reported that a few additions and corrections were made and he would have it ready soon.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

#### **COUNCILMEMBER KING:**

**Web site:** Bruce is progressing with the Web site.

**Signs:** At the next council meeting he will propose action in response to Councilmember Drake's work on signage to direct traffic in and around the city.

#### **COUNCILMEMBER MERRILL:**

**Sofa Source Design Review (Business Park):** Lamont reported having another meeting on design review on June 20. There was no new information, except a plat that had an architect's stamp on it. This will now go to Planning and Zoning.

#### **COUNCILMEMBER WADDELL:**

**Pioneer Community Breakfast:** Vaun asked that the breakfast be advertised in the newsletter. We should invite the state legislators and county commissioners. Volunteers will clean up the park after the breakfast. Another group has scheduled the park for 11 a.m. This

group also will need to clean up in order to accommodate a third group scheduled for 3 p.m.

**COUNCILMEMBER DRAKE:**

**Parking problem on 3<sup>rd</sup> South:** Burch reported there continues to be a parking problem by the high school on 3<sup>rd</sup> South, with cars parking in the “no parking” zone. After discussion, the council decided that the city should enforce their earlier decision. The mayor said he would talk with Sheriff Klingler about enforcing the no parking signs on Third South, which is south of the high school property.

**MOTION TO AMEND AGENDA:** It was moved by Councilmember Waddell and seconded by Councilmember Drake to amend the agenda to include a discussion on salaries for elected officials; motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ON SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS:** It was the consensus of the council that there not be any salary increases for elected officials. The mayor expressed appreciation to the council for a wise decision.

**Summary of discussion as follows:** Even though the salary of council members in Sugar City is well below average for a city its size, the City Council decided against a salary increase. The council also decided to leave the mayor’s salary unchanged, even though council members felt he deserved a large increase. The Sugar City Council has not raised mayoral and council salaries in four years. “We are not in these positions for money,” Councilman Vaun Waddell said. “If a citizen comes to this work for money, he’s the wrong person,” Mayor Glenn Dalling said. Councilman Mont Merrill quipped: “I’ve never done a job but what I felt I was worth more than I was paid, and employers never paid me but what they felt I received more than I was worth.” Councilman Bruce King joked: “Since the economy seems to be improving, maybe the council could give itself a 2 percent raise. That means our monthly salary would go from \$100 to \$102 per month.” “If you tripled the council salary, you would still be underpaid, so why bother,” Councilman Waddell said. “Our work is simply community service,” Councilman Burch Drake said. The decision to leave salaries unchanged was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Glenn W. Dalling, Mayor

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sharon L. Bell, Clerk